

Road Construction Update for Snohomish County

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Welcome

This is the first edition of the Snohomish County Road Construction Update newsletter designed to keep interested subscribers informed of ongoing and upcoming work in Snohomish County.

Snohomish County Traffic Closures This Week

Interstate 5: Ash Way Park and Ride

- **Monday August 15 – Thursday August 19** - Up to three lanes of southbound and northbound I-5 will close Monday through Thursday nights to allow crews to restripe the roadway. We will close the HOV lane at 8 p.m., the adjacent lane at 10 p.m. and third lane at 11:00 p.m. All lanes will reopen by 5 a.m.

State Route 9: SR 522 to Maltby Road (SR 524) Widening

- For the next eight to ten weeks, crews will remove trees adjacent to the road in preparation for widening work in the area.
- Drivers can expect intermittent lane closures Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to allow construction equipment to enter and exit the roadway.
- Flaggers will stop traffic in both directions on SR 9 periodically to allow crews to clear debris from the roadway. Motorists are advised to use alternate routes or be prepared for delays.

State Route 527: 132nd St. SE to 112th Street SE Widening

- **Monday August 15 – Thursday August 19** - Drivers can expect nighttime lane closures on SR 527 Monday through Thursday from 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. One lane will be open to traffic at all times.

Snohomish County Construction Updates

Crews Begin Building New Bridge Deck for Second Half of New Smokey Point Bridge

Last month, WSDOT and contractor Shea Graham Construction successfully installed nine 5-ton concrete girders over northbound I-5. With the girders in place, crews have started building the bridge deck for the south half of the new wider and safer Smokey Point Bridge.

The new bridge is part of WSDOT's effort to improve safety, traffic flow and access to and from I-5 from the SR 531/172nd Street Interchange. Crews are building a new six-lane bridge that will replace the existing two-lane crossing. The new bridge will include additional turn lanes to the freeway to help clear back-ups and improve traffic flow.

For more details please visit our [I-5 Smokey Point Interchange project Web site](#).

Everett HOV Design-Build Project Team Asks I-5 Neighbors to Choose Noise Wall Finish

Community involvement in the Everett HOV project is important to us. As part of building the noise walls, neighbors living near I-5 will get to choose as a group between three different noise wall finishes for the back sides of the walls. Residents have been sent flyers and comments forms and instructed where they can view concrete samples of the choices. We will also visit neighborhood meetings to discuss noise walls and the project. Three samples of noise wall finishes are available on our [Web site](#).

You are invited to our project open house from **3:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wed., Aug. 31**, at the downtown **Everett library, 2702 Hoyt Ave**. The project team will discuss the I-5 Everett HOV expansion and improvement project, construction schedule and project benefits. Please drop by anytime to ask questions and get a free state map and vehicle trash bag.

Crews Clear a Path for New Lanes on SR 9, WSDOT Awards Construction Contract

Crews have started work to widen SR 9 from SR 522 to 212th (Maltby Road) from two to four lanes with a center median, wide shoulders and turn lanes. WSDOT is working with Snohomish County to clear brush and trees to make room to build the new lanes. In addition, WSDOT is working with telephone, power and cable companies to move their overhead lines out of the way.

Last month, we awarded the construction contract to the most competitive bidder, Wilder Construction of Everett. Drivers will see construction equipment on the road this fall. Please visit our [Web site](#) for more information about our SR 9 Corridor Improvement projects.

Work on SR 527 Widening Project Continues; Crews Repave 116th Street SE

Last month, crews closed 116th Street SE at the intersection with SR 527 last month to switch traffic to a new temporary roadway and repave 116th Street. When this project is finished later this year, we will have widened this two-lane rural highway to five-lane urban highway. For more information please visit the [SR 527 Widening Web page](#).

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